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Date Filed: March 24, 1999  
For: Collapsible Buoyancy Device for Risers on  
Offshore Structures

Atty Docket No. 131935/FMC029  
Group Art Unit:  
Examiner:

*RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS*

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated January 18, 2001, enclosed please find a Declaration and Power of Attorney which has been signed by the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63. We are also enclosing our check in the amount of \$130 to cover the fees related to this matter. Please charge any deficiencies to our Andrews & Kurth, Deposit Account No. 50-0897 (131935/FMC029).

Respectfully submitted,

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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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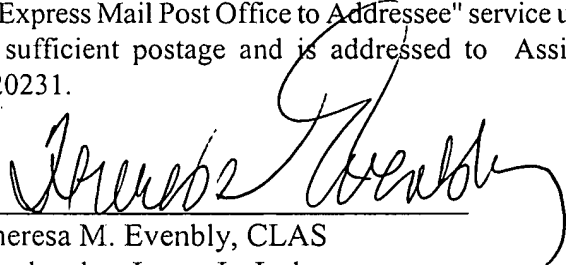
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3. Response to Missing Parts together with Inventor's Declaration
4. Our firm Check No. 293127 in the amount of \$ 1300 to cover the petition costs. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiencies and/or credit any fee overpayment to Andrews & Kurth, Deposit Account No. 50-0897/131935.
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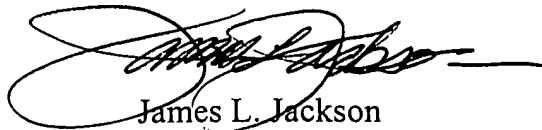
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